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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

David Stark, Esquire Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Public Service Commission of South Carolina - Administrative and Procedural

Matters

Docket No. 2005-83-A

Dear Mr. Stark:

On September 8, 2020, via e-mail notification and on behalf of the South Carolina Public Service Commission ("Commission"), you requested written comments regarding the proposed procedural schedule for upcoming annual fuel and Purchased Gas Adjustment ("PGA") proceedings. Please find the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff's ("ORS") comments below.

Regarding the testimony dates that the Commission has outlined for Duke Energy Progress, LLC, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, and Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. ("DESC"), ORS proposes no changes. However, regarding the testimony due dates in the Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. ("PNG") PGA, ORS would respectfully request that the Commission consider adding one additional week between the utility's direct testimony due date and the intervenor direct testimony due date. Currently, the DESC PGA docket allows for three weeks between DESC filing its direct testimony and the due date for intervenor direct testimony. If the Commission allowed an additional week in the PNG PGA proceeding, it would ensure that intervenors had three weeks to evaluate utility direct testimony, draft, and file their direct in both the DESC PGA docket, as well as the PNG PGA docket.

If adopted, PNG's Direct testimony would be due on May 26, 2021, in Docket No. 2021-4-G, and May 26, 2022, in Docket No. 2022-4-G.

Lastly, I would note that the surrebuttal filing date in the 2022-4-G appears to be inadvertently listed as June 20, 2022, with intervenor rebuttal testimony due June 23, 2022.

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Accordingly, to correspond with the surrebuttal testimony due date in the PNG PGA in previous years, ORS believes the correct surrebuttal filing date to be June 30, 2022.

Sincerely,

s/ Andrew M. Bateman

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